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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

***Drawings***

The drawings are objected to as failing to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(4) because reference character "44" has been used to designate two separate features. A proposed drawing correction or corrected drawings are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. The objection to the drawings will not be held in abeyance.

***Notice of Protest***

A protest against issuance of a patent based upon this application has been filed under 37 CFR 1.291(a) on April 5, 2002, and a copy has been served on applicant. In particular, Applicant must file a response to protestor's comments, regarding the application of the prior art against the claims of the instant application, within 30 days from the mailing date of this communication.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Pamela A Wilson whose telephone number is 703/308-2620. The examiner can normally be reached on Tues and Wed, 6:30 am-3:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ira Lazarus can be reached on 703/308-1935. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are 703/305-3463 for regular communications and 703/305-3463 for After Final communications.

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703/308-0861.

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